(b) if the ratio is short of the requirement, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) According to the Fifth All India Educational Survey, conducted by the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), the teacher-student ratio in the country at the primary stage was 1:44 as on 30th September, 1986. No specific teacher-student ratio is envisaged under the National Policy on Education.

(b) Does not arise.

Students of Hotel Management

3272. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of students who got through three years diploma course during the last two years from various Institutes in Hotel Management, Catering & Applied Nutrition in the country;

(b) the number of those who were employed in ITDC Hotels;

(c) whether Government are aware that private sector hotels do not provide employment to students belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes; and

(d) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) A total of 1158 students passed during 1986-87 and 1987-88 from various Institutes of Hotel Management, Catering Technology & Applied Nutrition.

(b) 93 students have been employed in ITDC Hotels. In addition, 727 have been employed in hotels in the private sector.

(c) Available information does not indicate any such trend.

(d) Does not arise.

Over bridges at Railway level crossings at Yerraguntla

3273. DR. NARREDDY THULSI REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct over bridges at Railway level crossings at Yerraguntla in Guntakal division in South-Central Railway;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The State Government has not sponsored any proposal for construction of road-overbridge at Yerraguntla.

Feasibility study on the Patna-Allahabad stretch of Ganga

3274. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any feasibility study has been conducted on the Patna-Allahabad stretch of the Ganga; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.